

25 September 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Assistant to the DCI

SUBJECT : [REDACTED] Rejection of Application
for the Junior Officer Training Program

1. In the light of your interest and the possibility that you may wish to write [REDACTED] a review of the case is presented herewith.

2. When [REDACTED] appeared for interview, he made a favorable impression; and it appeared that if the results of tests for which he was scheduled were favorable, he would be a desirable candidate for the Junior Officer Training Program, which is designed to develop unusually qualified individuals for careers in intelligence. His scores on the tests, however, were appreciably below the minimum level of acceptable applicants, so that after thorough discussion with the appropriate officials it has been decided not to take him into the Program. Under no circumstances should this be considered as disparaging to the young man, but rather as a reflection of the specific and special requirements that are made for those who are entering this field.

3. It is not the policy of the Agency to request deferment of its draft-eligible employees. We do, however, have a working agreement with the military services which is confined to those in the Program to which I have referred, and which involves active service for a period of approximately three years. Inasmuch as [REDACTED] is not to be included in this category, there is at present no opportunity for employment in other phases of our work until he has completed his military obligation. If, at that time, he continues his interest in intelligence, re-application for employment is certainly in order.

4. Of some importance in the decision on the case which might otherwise have been considered borderline, is the fact that after signing the Secrecy Agreement on which he declared specifically that he would not "inform anyone that (he) was being considered for a position in the Central Intelligence Agency", he

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